



COMMISSION ON AGING

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Minutes
September 22, 2014

PRESIDING: Ted Meyerson, Vice Chair

Members Attending

Barbara Catlin
Roxanne Farrar
Debbie Fleischmann
Susan Hailman
Julia Mattis
Bob McLaughlin
Andrew Monjan
Carolyn Rimes
S.K. Shin
Sharonlee Vogel

Not Present

Deborah Adler
Pete Brunner
Eletta Morse
Laureen Wylie

Office on Aging

Dayna Brown

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Approve Agenda

Sharonlee Vogel requested that the nominations for officers be added to the agenda. Sharonlee moved to accept the amended agenda and Roxanne Farrar seconded the motion. Motion was approved. *All in favor. Agenda accepted.*

Approve Minutes

Sharonlee Vogel moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting and Barbara Catlin seconded the motion. Motion was approved. *All in favor. Minutes accepted.*

Office on Aging Report

Master Plan Update

The Office is scheduling focus groups to supplement the data collected from the master plan survey. Groups will be held in October and will be scheduled around the county to capture geographic diversity. While specific groups will not be targeted, the office will hold two focus groups in Korean.

Dayna emailed the Commission information which will be presented at the next Working Group meeting and requested feedback.

New ElkrIDGE Senior Center and Library

Two public input sessions have been scheduled to collect community input on the design for the new senior center.

Friendly Connections Program

The Office is working on launching a new volunteer program entitled Friendly Connections. The program will pair volunteers with homebound or socially isolated seniors for home and telephone visiting. The Office has trained its first group of volunteers. Initial referrals for the program will come from MAP.

MDCOA Summit Report

Susan Hailman and Sharonlee Vogel shared their experiences at this year's MDCOA Summit. The Summit focused on Villages/the Village Movement and covered village start up, development, and running a village. Susan shared that it was wonderful to be a part of a group which had so much common ground; all the attendees were focused on helping people stay in the community. When the meeting summary is posted to the MDCOA website, Sharonlee will forward a link.

Sharonlee reported that next year's Summit will be on the Eastern Shore.

50+EXPO Update

The Commission voted to purchase pens as a giveaway for their EXPO booth.

In addition to the pens, fliers on MOLST, Advanced Directives, YouTube presentation, and the technology presentation will be available at the booth.

Old Business

Candidates Forum

The proposed candidates' forum will not happen this year. The candidates are appearing at many locations, including the League of Women Voters and PATH.

Technology Presentation

Ted Meyerson shared that he has not received any requests for the presentation.

New Business

Nominating Committee

A nominating committee, composed of Sharonlee Vogel, Carolyn Rimes, and Roxanne Farrar, was created to bring nominees for Chair and Vice Chair to the October meeting.

Adjournment

Sharonlee Vogel motioned to adjourn. Barbara Catlin seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Recording Secretary: Jennifer Rittenhouse

Next Meeting: October 27, 2014, Ellicott City Senior Center, 7pm